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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Guangcai Xing, et al.

Application No. 09/298,064

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
EXPOSING A SUBSTRATE TO PLASMA  
RADICALS

Examiner: Zervigon, R.

Art Unit: 1763

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Box Amendments - Fee  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on June 4, 2001, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment:

IN THE DRAWINGS

Applicants amend Figures 3 and 4 to address, inter alia, inconsistencies with the Application. Applicants' show the amendments in red ink. No new matter is added. Applicants respectfully request that the Patent Office approve the amendments to Figures 3 and 4.

IN THE CLAIMS

Presented herewith is a full set of the pending claims. Please amend claim 17 as set forth below:

1. An apparatus comprising:  
a first reaction chamber;  
a gas source coupled to the first reaction chamber to supply a nitrogen gas to the first reaction chamber;